

Introduced by Senator Ackerman

February 24, 2006

An act relating to Medi-Cal.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1708, as introduced, Ackerman. Medi-Cal: county organized health systems: fraud.

Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Services and under which qualified low-income persons receive health care benefits.

Existing law allows the California Medical Assistance Commission to negotiate exclusive contracts with any county that seeks to provide, or arrange for the provision of, Medi-Cal health care services. The system of services provided by or through a county pursuant to these provisions is known as a county organized health system.

Existing law prohibits specified fraudulent acts in connection with Medi-Cal claims and services.

This bill would require the department to prepare a report assessing statewide compliance by county organized health systems with current requirements applicable to those entities regarding provider and beneficiary fraud against the Medi-Cal program. The bill would require the department to provide the report to the Legislature on or before January 31, 2007.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. The State Department of Health Services shall
- 2 prepare a report assessing statewide compliance by county

- 1 organized health systems with current requirements applicable to
- 2 those entities regarding provider and beneficiary fraud against
- 3 the Medi-Cal program. The report shall be provided to the
- 4 Legislature on or before January 31, 2007.